39897 to 39924—Continued. (Quoted notes by Mr. F. N. Meyer.) 39905 to 39911.

From near Paodji (near Hsiku), Kansu, China. Collected November 6 and 7, 1914.

39905. Dipelta Yunnanensis Franchet. Caprifoliaceæ.

"No. 1229. A shrub of the appearance of a Lonicera, but bearing triangular, winged fruits. Found in a few places on overgrown mountain slopes at altitudes of 7,000 feet. Of value possibly as an ornamental garden shrub."

39906. Deutzia sp. Hydrangeaceæ,

"No. 1230. A Deutzia of vigorous growth, from 6 to 10 feet tall, having large, silvery gray leaves, found between scrub on open mountain slopes at altitudes between 6,000 and 8,000 feet. Of value possibly as an ornamental garden shrub."

39907. Corylus chinensis Franch. Betulaceæ. Hazelnut.

"No. 1231. A hazelnut growing into a tree 80 to 100 feet tall having a trunk often a few feet in diameter. Bark reddish brown and peeling off in loose layers like that of a birch. Leaves large, of elliptical shape, petioles long, nuts small and each inclosed in a protruded involucre; they are borne in clusters from two and three up to seven and eight. Shell very thick; kernels small, but edible. This hazel tree bears masses of catkins at the time the leaves come down; it looks very much like a birch or an alder, and, aside from its having a utilitarian use as a nut-bearing tree, it also has a decided value for ornamental purposes, especially when planted in a group or a grove of some extent. Through selection and by hybridization possibly strains can be obtained bearing larger nuts with thinner shells and possessing commercial value. The climate where these hazels thrive is not a very severe one, and the trees probably will not be able to stand extreme temperatures. Collected at an altitude of 7,000 feet."

39908. Hydrangeaceæ.

"No. 1232. A shrub of compact and robust growth. Collected in a grove of tall red birches, at an altitude of 8,000 feet. Of value as an ornamental shrub for shady places for the cooler sections of the United States."

39909. Corylus tibetica Batalin. Fagaceæ.

"No. 1233. A small tree found in between tall scrub on protected mountain sides at 8,000 feet altitude. Bears burs like those of a chestnut, which contain chinkapinlike nuts; it bears, however, also catkins like a hazel or an alder when it is leafless. Leaves somewhat like those of a chestnut, but of a thinner and less persistent structure. Of value possibly as a new nut-bearing tree, fit for regions where the winters are not too severe."

39910. Ribes sp. Grossulariaceæ. Currant.

"No. 1234. A currant of very vigorous growth, collected on a sheltered mountain side at an altitude of over 7,000 feet. The shrubs are of open growth and reach a height of 25 feet. Of value possibly for hybridization purposes."